

Fifth Annual Commencement Roxbury Community College

Sunday Afternoon
the Third of June
Nineteen hundred and seventy-nine

Four o'clock p.m.



The First Church of Roxbury
John Eliot Square
Roxbury, Massachusetts

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THE ACADEMIC REGALIA

The colorful hoods, which indicate fields of learning and the institutions conferring the degree, were originally worn over the head, but during the 16th century, caps were adopted and the hood was draped over the shoulder. The origin of the cap, as a part of the academic regalia, is uncertain. As under Roman law, the slave was freed by being allowed to put on a cap, so at Oxford the cap of the M.A. was the sign of his/her independence.

A long tassel is attached to the middle point of the top of the cap, to drape over the left edge of the mortar board. The tassel may be black, gold or the color appropriate to the academic field of the wearer.

Doctor's Degree — Doctors wear silk gowns with full round sleeves. The gown is closed, and shows velvet facing on the front. Three velvet bars decorate the sleeves. The wearer's field of study is indicated by the color of the velvet trim. The wearer has a 4 foot silk hood with a silk lining and velvet binding. The color of the silk lining indicates the school that conferred his/her degree. The 5 inch wide velvet lining indicates his/her field of study.

Master's Degree — A Master wears a silk or wool gown with full-length square sleeves. A crescent-shaped piece hangs down from each sleeve. His/her gown is closed at the front and has no velvet trim. His/her 3½ foot hood has velvet bindings that are 3 inches wide.

Bachelor's Degree — A Bachelor wears a worsted gown with long, pointed sleeve and a single button at the neck. It has no velvet trim. Women wear white collars. Bachelors wear hoods 3 feet long with velvet edging 2 inches wide.

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Arts, Letters & Humanities	White
Business Administration	Drab
Economics	Copper
Education	Light Blue
Engineering	Orange
Fine Arts	Brown
Journalism	Crimson
Law	Purple
Library Science	Lemon
Music	Pink
Nursing	Apricot
Oratory (Speech)	Silver Gray
Philosophy	Dark Blue
Physical Education	Sage Green
Public Administration	Peacock Blue
Science	Gold-Yellow
Social Science	Citron
Theology or Divinity	Scarlet

Charmaine Oliver
Polycarp Onaga
Junana Osorio
Betty Peaks
Benjamin S. Pettie
Bro. Ronald Philpott
Delores Pickett
Edward Pitts
Norma Pomales
Janice Porter
Tracey Pratt
Shirley Price
Adella R. Quinn
Percy N. Ragsdale
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Ebony G. Robinson
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Nancy Rodriguez
Irma D. Rosado

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Phillippe Vigne
Carol Walker
Diane M. Walker
Howard West
Venus White
Ollie M. Willis
Carol Williams
Ethel M. Williams
Marcia Williams
Selena Williams
Theresa Williams
Beatrice Wilson
Asefa Yirga
Beverly Young

CERTIFICATE AWARDS

Tanya Howard
Susan Reed
Robert Rogers
Ellen Smith
Maysie Spencer
Valerie Spencer
Marcia Tapia
Debbie Weathers
Elizabeth Wyche
Shirley Wyche
Merid Yohannes

COMMENCEMENT EXERCISES

Presiding
Kenneth Haskins
President of the College

PROCESSIONAL

"War March of the Priest"

Organist — John Weeks Jr.

Mendelssohn

INVOCATION

The Rev. Dr. Thomas Payne
Pastor, The First Church of Roxbury

MUSICAL SELECTIONS by

"Genesis"

Berklee College of Music

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President of the College

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Judge Margaret Burnham
*Associate Judge of the
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President of the College

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Roxbury Community College Choir

Ms. June Randolph
Director

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Chairperson, Alumni Association

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The Rev. Dr. Thomas Payne
Pastor, The First Church of Roxbury

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"War March of the Priest"

John Weeks Jr.
Organist

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